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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 11-12

Part B for May 1918.

SUBJECT.

Mineral licenses applied for & held by Messrs M. Singaravelu
Mudaliar & P. Chinnaasami & Co.

G/14773 dt. 2-5-18.

To the Director of Geology
For the purpose of grant
States that no objection is asked for
by us applicants for a grant of monopoly in
respect of alluvial in the whole State etc.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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FILE HEADING.

Mineral licenses applied for & held by Messrs M. Singarevelu
Mudaliar & T. Chinnasami Iyer

From

The Offg Director, Dept of Geology.

No. 2543

Dated 12/15-4-18.

Received 16-4-18.

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

^{for order} Forwarded a copy of letter A 12-3-18 from Messrs T. Chinnasami Iyer & M. Singarevelu Mudaliar praying for (1) the grant of monopoly in respect of asbestos in the State for a period of at least ten years, or (2) the first refusal of lands applied for by others for prospecting licenses & stating that ~~there~~ ^{the} ~~he~~ ^{she} does not ~~see~~ ^{see} strong reasons to recommend the grant of the enclosures asked for.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

Submitted for order

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20-4-18.

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BANGALORE, 12th March 1918.

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FROM

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B. JAYARAM, Esq., F.G.S.,

Offg. Director (in-charge), Department of Mines and Geology,

Mysore State.

DIARY NO. 8343

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward herewith, for the information and orders of Government, a copy of a letter, dated 12th March 1918, from Messrs. T. Chinnaamy Iyer and M. Singaravelu Mudaliar, holders of prospecting license No. 350 for Mica and Asbestos over a block of land in the Hole Narsipur Taluk, praying for the grant to them of a monopoly in respect of asbestos in the Mysore State for a period of at least 10 years or at least the first refusal to them of lands applied for by others for prospecting for asbestos during the said period.

2. The licensees have already applied for a mining lease over a block of 160 acres comprised within the said prospecting license and the grant of the same to them has been recommended in my letter No. 597, dated 8th September 1917. The licensees have been doing very good work in asbestos for the past one year and the asbestos obtained in their mine was used with success as an insulating material for covering boilers, steam pipes, etc. at the Sandal Oil Factory in Bangalore. A number of tests which were kindly made by the Indian Munition Board with the samples of the asbestos boiler covering composition from the material of the same mine are also reported to have given satisfactory results in comparison with

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the usual composition for covering boilers, steam pipes, etc. Messrs. Chinnasamy Iyer and Singaravelu Mudaliar are the only licensees that are at present doing any work in this direction and appear to me to deserve all possible encouragement. But their prayer for (1) a grant of monopoly in respect of asbestos in the State for a period of at least ten years, or (2) the first refusal of lands applied for by others for prospecting licenses cannot be justly recommended without deviating from general mining practices or creating unwholesome precedents.

3. At present there appear to be no good grounds for apprehending any undue or unfair competition in this line of mining enterprise and since the applicants have already been ~~granted~~ recommended for a mining lease over an asbestos bearing area and since they can have the assurance of always obtaining any prospecting license or mining lease over any other asbestos-containing area in the State, provided they are the first in the field to apply for such licenses and leases, I see no strong reasons to recommend to Government for granting any of the concessions asked for.

4. I beg therefore to be favoured with the views and orders of Government in the matter.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

B. Jagan Nam
Offg. Director,
Department of Geology.

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Letter, dated 12th March 1918, from Messrs. M Singaravelu Mudaliar and T Chinnasamy Iyer; 141 - Narainpillay Street Cantonment, Bangalore, to the Director, Department of Geology.

In reply to your letter No. 2011 dated 20th ultimo, we have the honour to state that we have been making earnest and special endeavours to form and develop the asbestos industry in Mysore and with this object in view samples of asbestos obtained from the Kabbur mines (Hassan District) have been sent to different quarters by Mr. M.L. Vardhamaniah, Sowcar, Mysore, who we are happy to state is also specially interested in the industry. The trials made at the Sandal Oil Factory in Mysore has, as you are probably aware, produced satisfactory results. The experiments made with our asbestos by the Indian Munition Board are, we hear, also reported to have been satisfactory. Through the endeavours of the gentleman referred to above a keen demand has been stirred up for the mineral which did not exist before.

2. We have entered into contract for large supplies of asbestos for a period of 3 years in the first instance and we have therefore to extend our operations in different blocks in the State. We do not know just now which localities can yield workable quantities and qualities of asbestos and we shall be thankful to your Department if you will kindly advise us which blocks we may profitably take up for Prospecting or Mining.

3 You are aware that we have been exploring for asbestos in the Hassan District and have obtained two additional blocks. We have reason to believe that the success that has so far attended our operations has already aroused the jealousy and rivalry of ~~certain~~ certain people in Mysore and this we are afraid may not only lead to unhealthy competition but affect our interest to a material extent by blocking up of lands which we may profitably work upon.

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4. It is absolutely necessary for the establishment of a sound basis of the proposed asbestos industry by Mr. Vardhaman that we (the suppliers) should have sufficient protection against such unhealthy competition and that we should have a free and much wider scope for doing business. For these reasons we pray that the benign Government may be kind enough to grant us a monopoly in respect of asbestos in the Mysore State for a period of at least ten years or at least the first refusal to us of lands applied for by others for prospecting asbestos during the said period of ten years.

Copy,

B. Jagan Nain.

Offg. Director,
Department of Geology.

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To

The Offg. Director, Dept of Geology.

Sir,

Signed by.....

Mrs. J. J. S. S. S.

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With reference to your letter
no 2543-A-12/15th April 1918 forwarding a
copy of letter of 12-3-18 from Messrs. P.
Chinnabani Jyoti & M. Srigaravulu Mudali
praying for (1) the grant of monopoly in
respect of asbestos in the ^{whole} State for a period
of at least ten years, or (2) the first refusal
of lands applied for by others for prospecting
licences for that mineral, I am directed
~~to state that~~ ^{State} Govt do not see any reason
to grant the concessions asked for.

I have etc.

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For Secy Govt

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